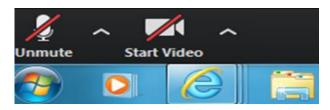
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Special Education Reporting System (SER) July 31, 2020 Training

A copy of this presentation is located on the <u>System Support page</u> under the SER section/**2020 July Training**



Objectives

At the conclusion of this training, participants should be able to:

- understand the overall functionality of SER,
- claim jurisdiction or add a new student in SER.
- manage student services.
- enter evaluations and submit IEPs to SER.
- troubleshoot common errors.
- manage compliance, state and federal reporting using SER reports.

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Special Education Reporting (SER) System Functionality

The **Special Education Reporting System (SER)** is a statewide system which enables special education personnel to monitor the provision of services to students.

SER data are captured from the point of referral for evaluation until the time of exit from special education

- Allows for storing of IEPs
- Stores student data relevant to special education for state and federal reporting

Examples include:

- Extended School Year Services (ESYS) data
- Post School Transition
- State Performance Plan (SPP) reporting
- Part C, IEP and evaluation compliance monitoring
- Allows entry, editing, and inquiry of data
- Allows for online and batch student data submissions.
- Allows for the generation of student reports.

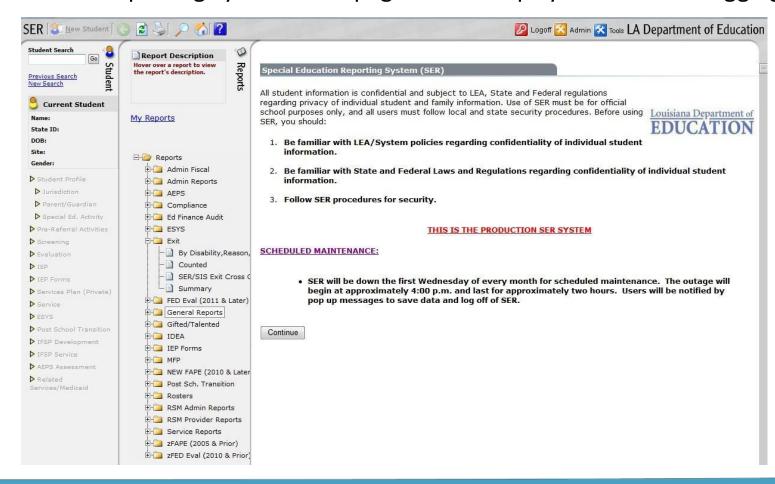
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Special Education Reporting System (SER) Homepage

The Special Education Reporting System homepage will be displayed when first logging

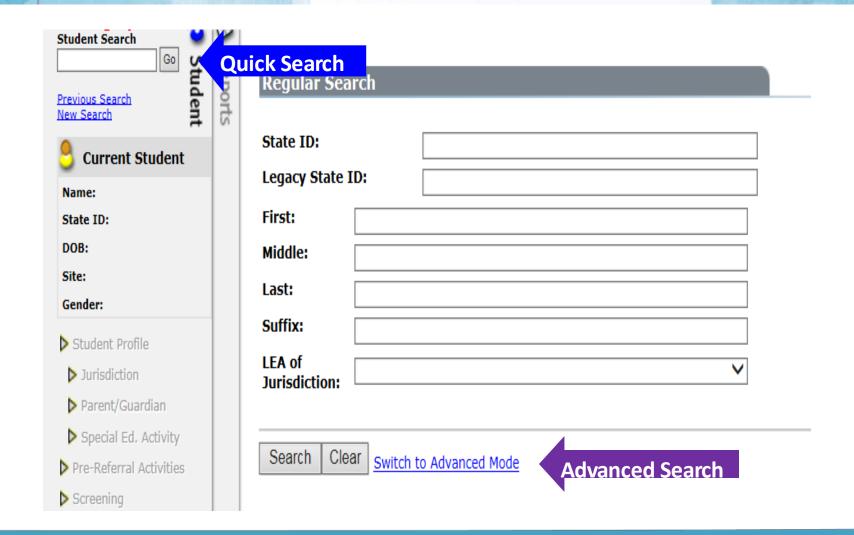
in to SER:



Searching for a Student

- Student Search (Quick Search)
 - Enter first name and last name
 - Enter last name, first name
 - Enter student's unique ID
 - Click Go or press Enter
- Regular Search
 - Enter information in the appropriate fields
 - Click Search
- Advanced Search
 - In addition to fields in the Regular Search section, search can be modified to include date of birth, gender, and school code
 - Allows a search for inactive students (students with records 5 years old or greater)

Searching for a Student Regular Mode

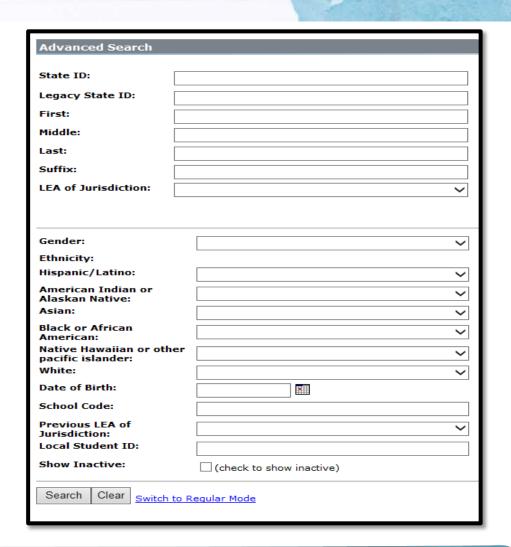


Searching for a Student Advanced Mode

Enter the information in any of the fields to narrow a search for a student.

Check the Show Inactive box to search for a student with records 5 years or older

Click Switch to Regular Mode to return to the default search screen.



Jurisdiction

What is Jurisdiction?

•A student is "owned" by a single Local Education Agency (LEA). There are no gaps when a student is transferred from one LEA to another. The end date of an LEA's jurisdiction is automatically calculated when another LEA assumes jurisdiction.

Claiming Jurisdiction

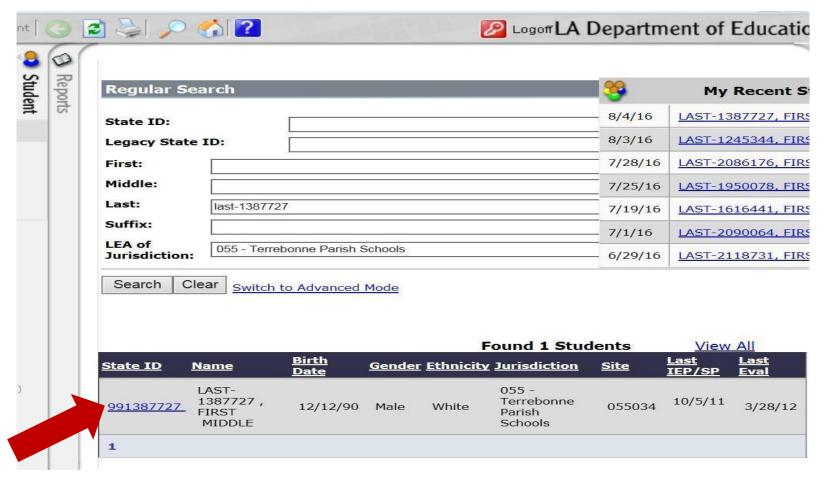
- Click on the student's unique ID
- Click on the Jurisdiction tab
- Click the Add New tab
- Enter the student's Begin Date and School Code
- Local Student ID is optional
 - Do not use a student's SSN as the Local Student
 ID
- Click Save

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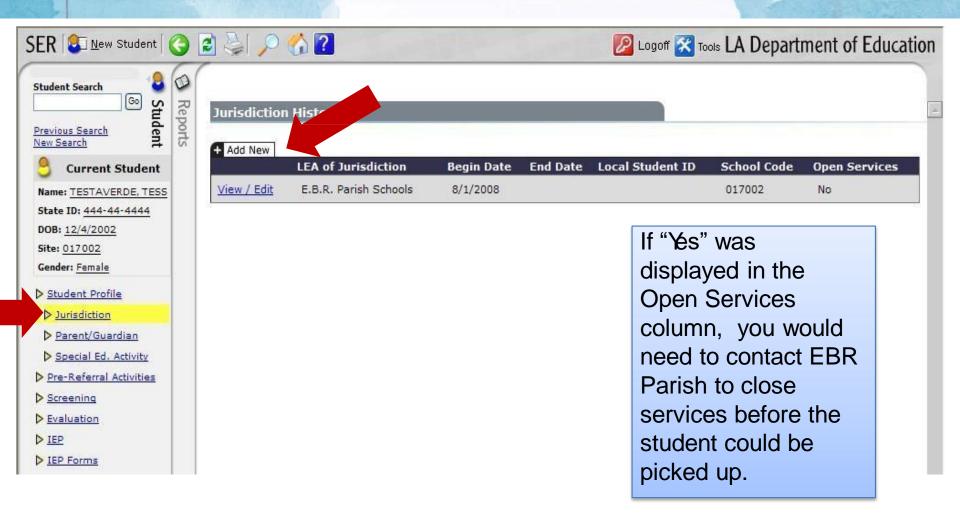
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Claiming Jurisdiction for a Student

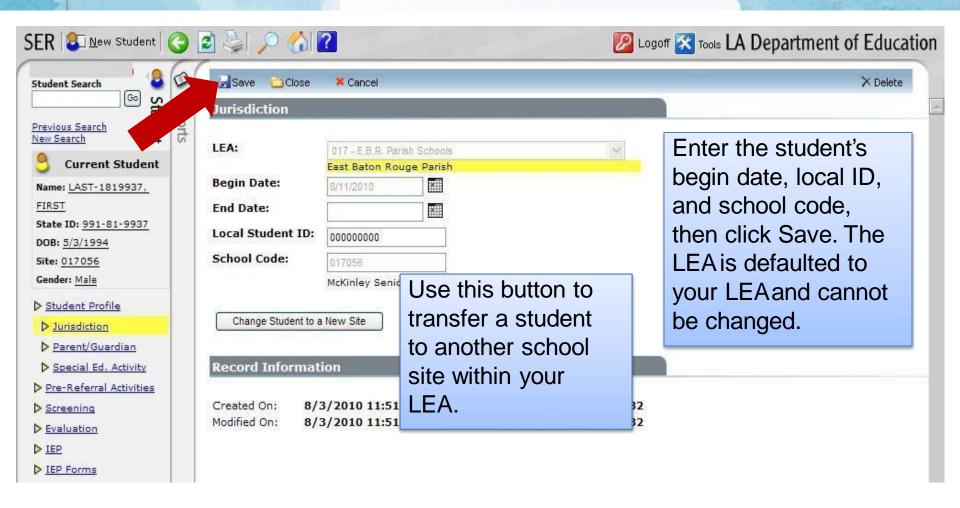
Once SER returns the student, click on the student's State ID number



Claiming Jurisdiction

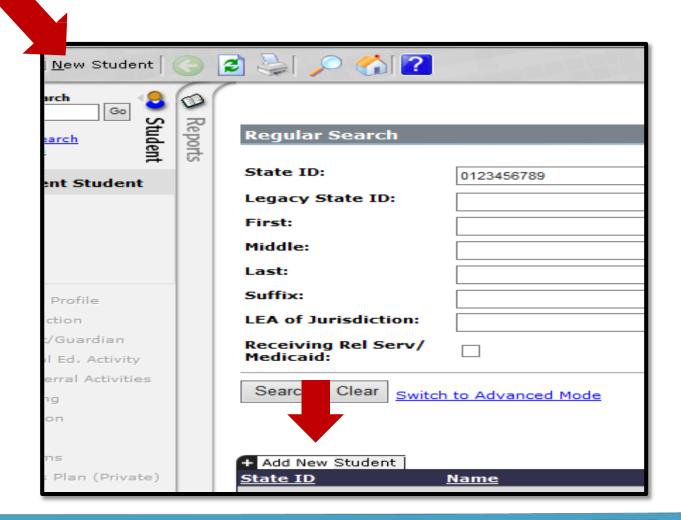


Claiming Jurisdiction

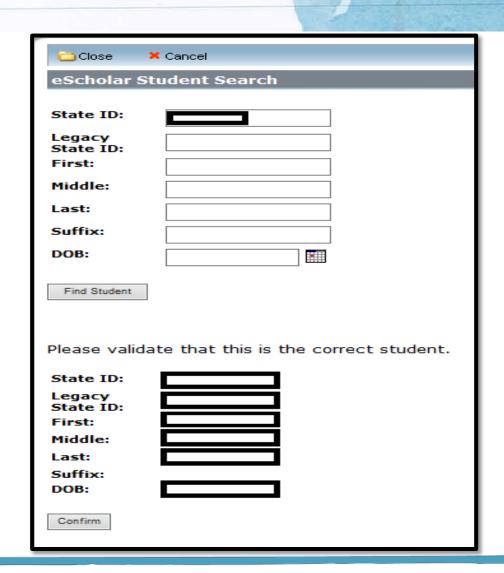


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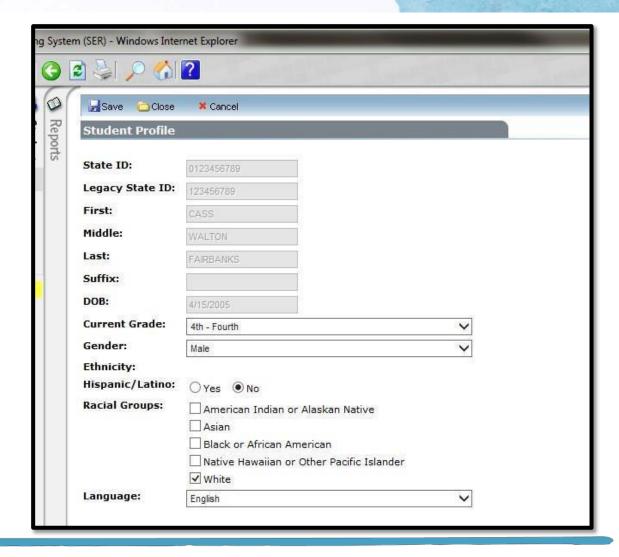
- Click New
 Student
 button in top
 left corner
 OR
- Click Add New Student tab.



- The State ID field is required to find a student in eScholar
- The remaining fields are optional.
- Click Find Student.
- The State ID will populate the student assigned to that ID.
- Validate that the student is correct then click Confirm.

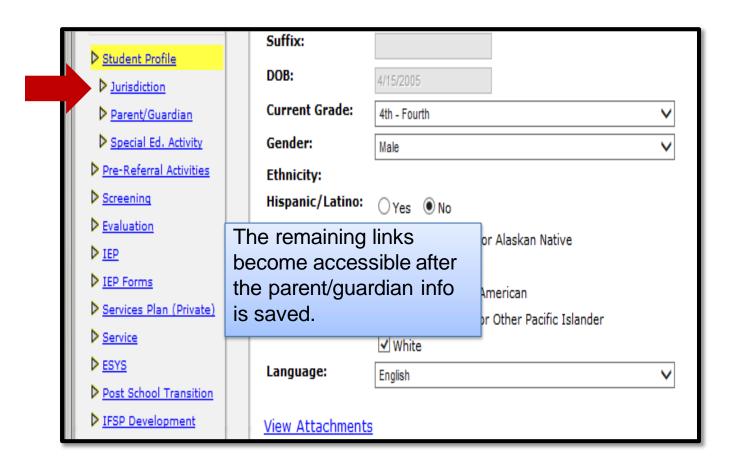


- The Student Profile screen will populate after confirming the student is correct.
- Enter the remaining fields, then click Save.



After saving the record:

- Enter a new jurisdiction record.
- Enter parent/guardian information.



Parent/Guardian





Title: MS

First: FIRST

Middle: MIDDLE

Last: LAST

Suffix: X

Address: 123 Some Rd

City: City

State: LOUISIANA

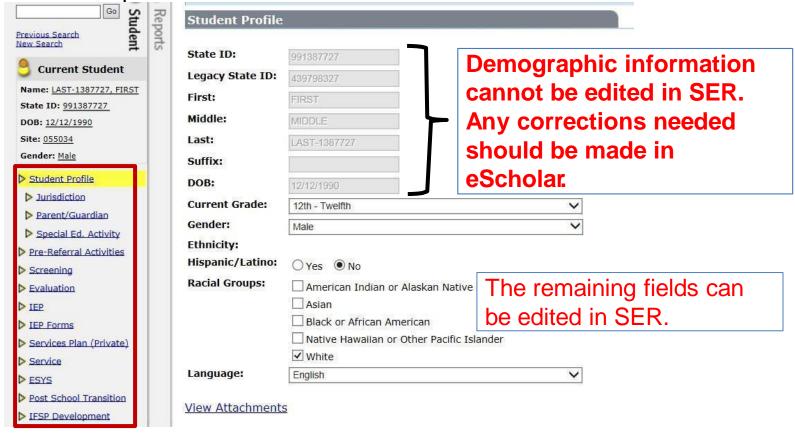
Zip Code: 00000

Parent/Guardian information can still be edited in SER by the LEA.

Title and Suffix are optional, not required to enter in SER.

Student Options

Once an LEA has jurisdiction on a student, data readers and data writers can access all links in the Student Options area:



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Guidance when assigning or updating Secure IDs:

- LEAs should limit access to one or two staff members for data quality purposes.
- Email <u>SystemSupport@la.gov</u> contact information of staff members who will assign/update Secure IDs.
- Staff members with access should always work with their LEA's Secure ID manager to verify the student's active Secure ID before assigning or updating the ID in SER.
- Verify the student's Secure ID and PII data match in SER and eScholar before assigning or updating the ID.
- "<u>Assigning/Updating Secure IDs in SER</u>" help document is available under the SER application on the Coordinator Portal.

To assign or update a Secure ID:

+ Add New Student				
State ID	<u>Name</u>	<u>Birth</u> <u>Date</u>	Gender	<u>Ethnicity</u>
NO GUID	LAST-2175310 , FIRST MIDDLE	11/23/14	Male	Hispanic/Latino

Click on the student's State ID.

State ID: NO GUID Modify State ID\PII data

On the Student Profile page, click Modify State ID/PII data.

Student Profile PII Edit			
Search eScholar By State ID:		Enter the student's Secure ID the Search eScholar By State I field, then click Find.	
Search eScholar By Legacy State ID:	Find		

The student's Secure ID and PII data in eScholar will display next to the student's Secure ID and PII data in SER.

Users should compare the data and verify the information is correct. Once the Secure ID is assigned or updated, the student's PII data will be updated with the PII data in eScholar

Save eScholar PII to SER

SER PII Data eScholar PII Data

State ID: State ID:

Legacy State ID: Legacy State ID:

First: First:

Middle: Middle:

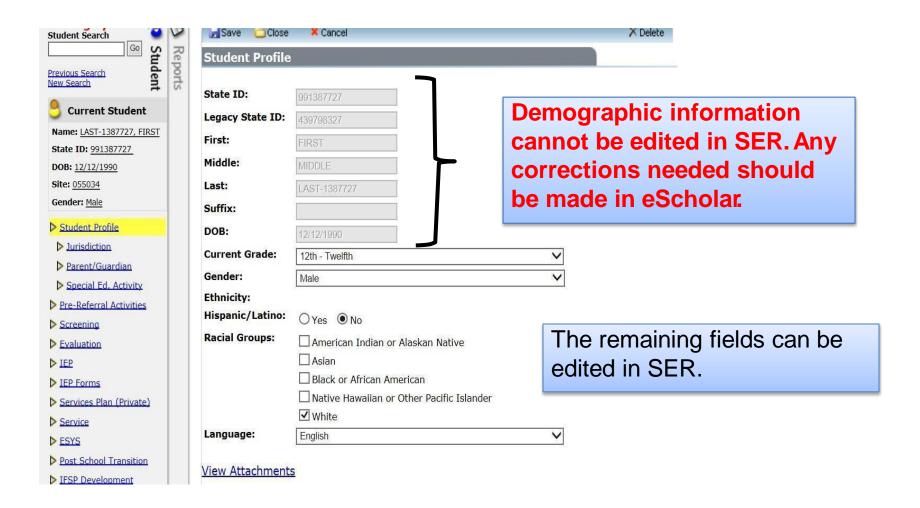
Last: Last:

Suffix: Suffix:

DOB: DOB:

After verifying the information is correct, click Save eScholar PII to SER.

Student Profile



View Attachments

Allows a user to upload any pertinent records about the student

After clicking View Attachments, click the Add New tab.

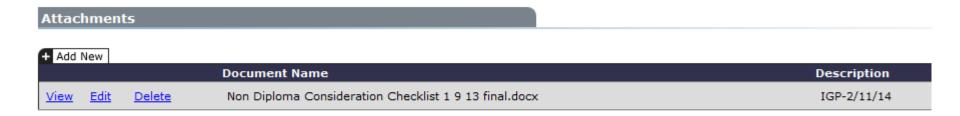
Click Browse to upload the attachment. Use the Description box to describe the attachment, e.g., Healthcare Plan, then click Save.



Student Attachment				
Document:	Browse (Supports PDF, Word, and Excel files up to 15MB.)			
Description:				

View Attachments

Once saved, the attachment can be viewed, edited, or deleted



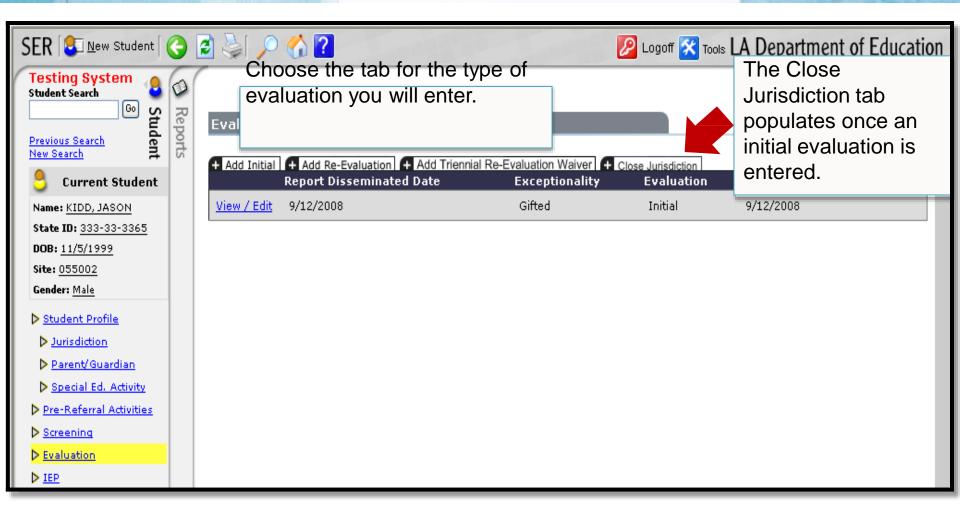
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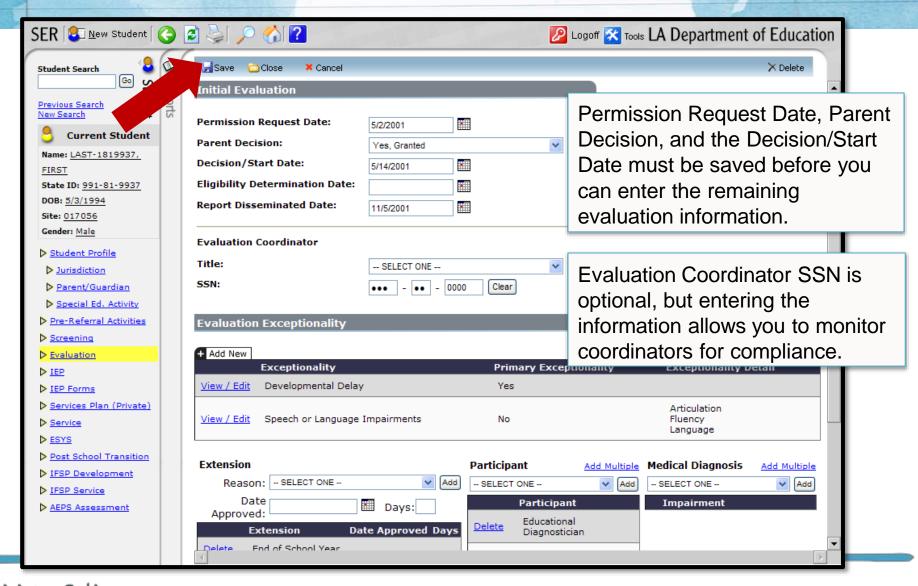
Evaluations

- When the Evaluation link is clicked, a history of the student's evaluations are displayed.
- The most recent evaluation is listed first, followed by each preceding evaluation.
- Types of evaluations
 - Initial evaluations
 - Re-evaluations
 - Triennial waivers can be entered or modified in SER under the corresponding
 - o tab.

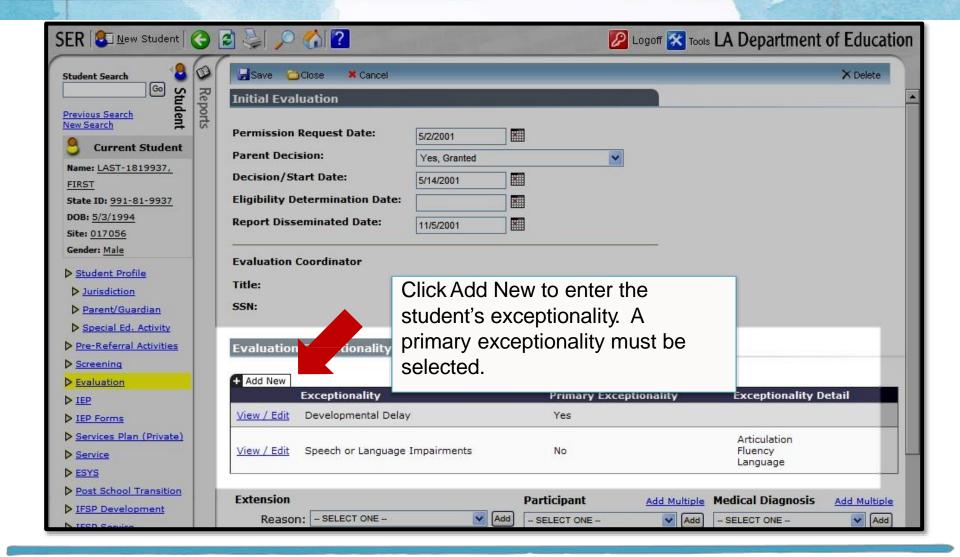
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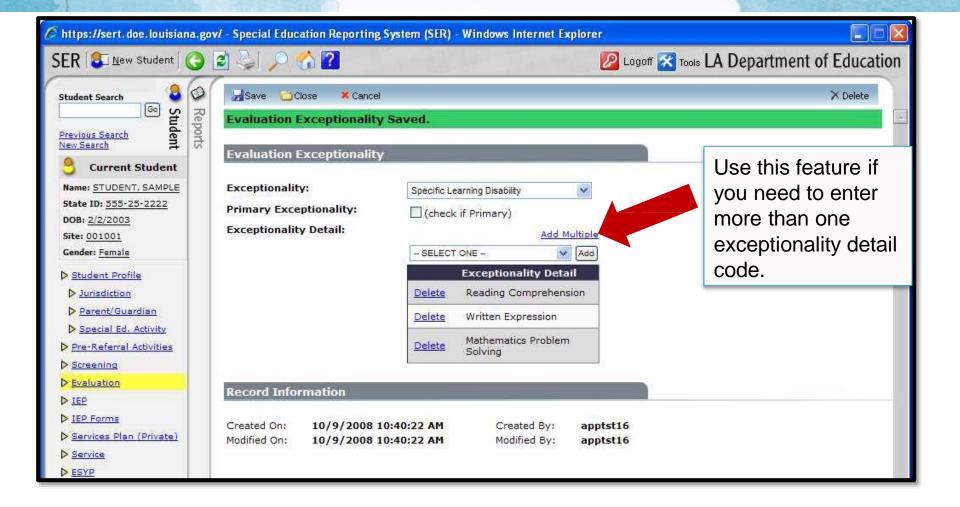
Evaluations - Initial



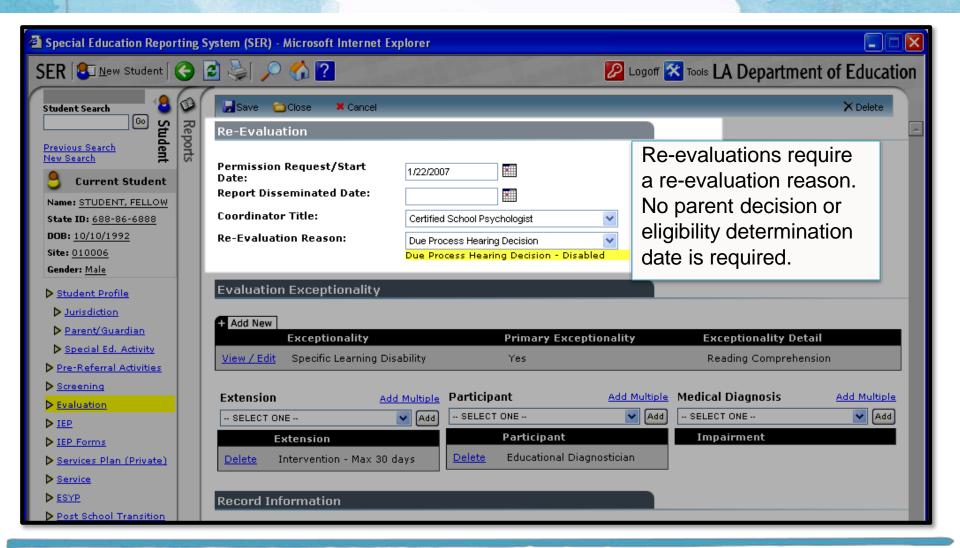
Evaluations - Adding Exceptionality



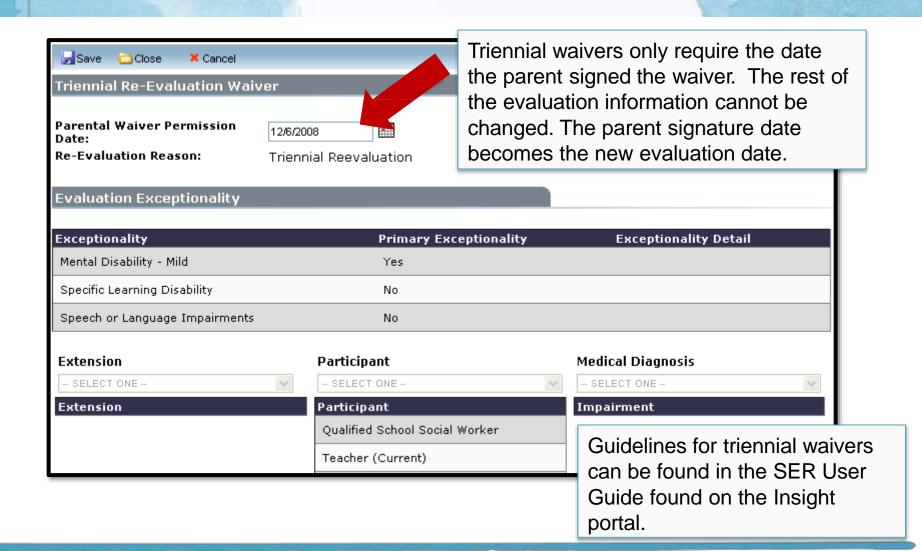
Evaluations - Add Exceptionality Screen



Evaluations – Re-Evaluations



Evaluations – Triennial Waiver



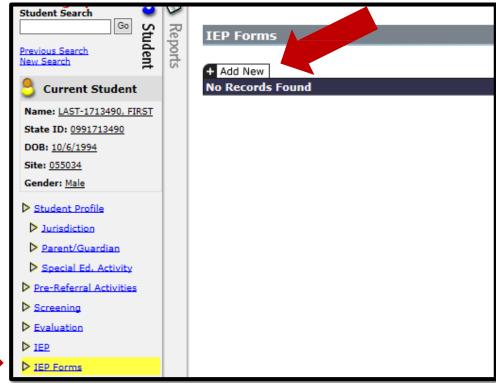
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Creating IEPs

To create an IEP Form:

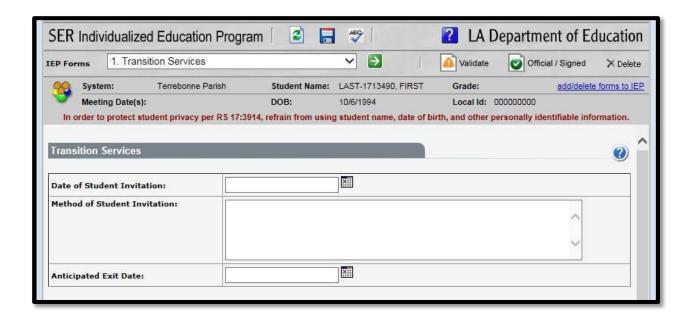
- Click on the IEP Forms link.
- Click the Add New tab.

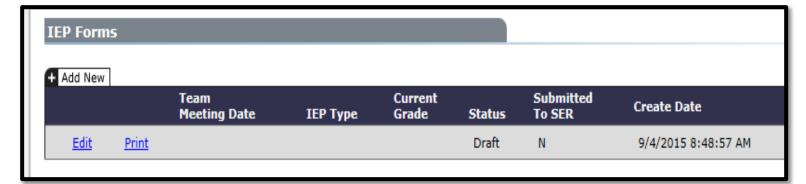




Creating IEPs

- The form will populate after clicking the Add New tab.
- The IEP Forms page will display information about the form.



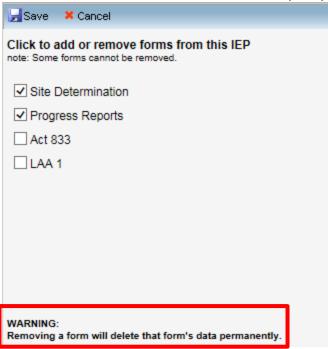


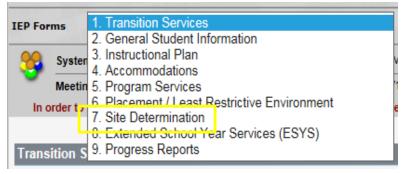
IEP Validation Page

- Before an IEP can be made official, it must first be validated to ensure that all required information has been entered and all rules have been met
- Forms that have passed validation are indicated by a green check
- Forms that do not pass validation are indicated by a red 'X'
- Forms that have potential errors but can still pass validation are indicated with a yellow exclamation point
- Once all errors are resolved, the Make This IEP Official button will display
- If a user has access to submit IEPs, the Submit to SER button will display after the IEP is made official

Adding/Deleting Forms to the IEP Form

- Additional forms can be added or deleted to the IEP
- Click the Add/Delete Forms to IEP link in the top right corner of the IEP
- Check a form to add it to the IEP; uncheck a form to delete it
- If a form is added, it will display in the IEP Forms list





Site Determination form listed in IEP Forms list selection

Submitting IEPs

 To change a draft IEP to an official IEPclick the Official/Signed button

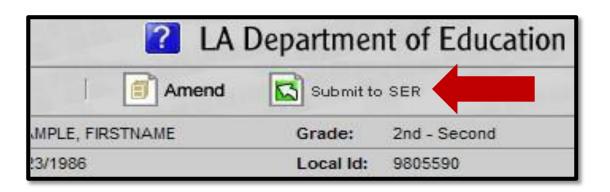


Once the IEP is official, it can be submitted to SER



Submitting IEPs

 Click the Submit to SER button to submit the IEP



 Once submitted, the N under the Submitted to SER column will change to a Y

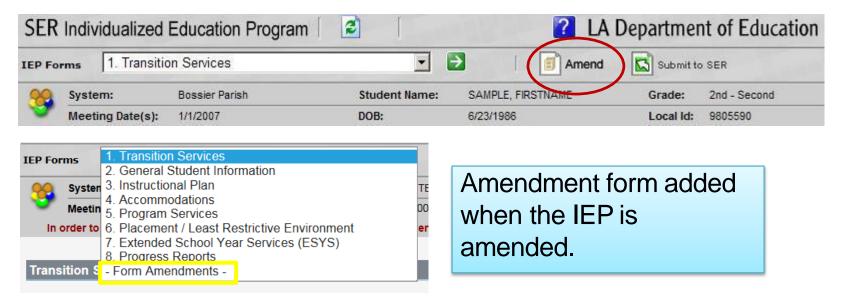
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10/21/2014	Regular - Review	12th - Twelfth	Official	Υ	9/30/2014 4:07:35 PM

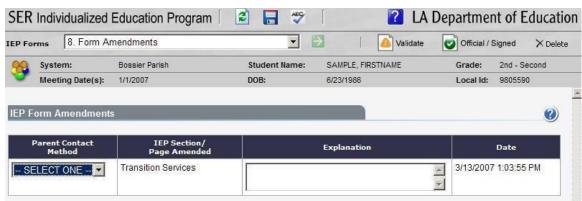
Amendments

- When an IEP requires changes after being made official, the IEP must be amended
- Click View to open the official IEP and click the Amend button to amend the IEP
- The IEP status changes from Official to Amended-Draft
- Once changes are made, the user must document the following on the Amendments form:
 - How the parent was informed of the change
 - An explanation of what was changed and why
- After validating the amendment, the amended IEP must be made official
- There is no limit to the number of amendments created

NOTE: The Team Meeting Date <u>does not</u> change with amendments.

Amendments





Parent contact
method and
explanation is
required to validate
the amended IEP

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Student Services

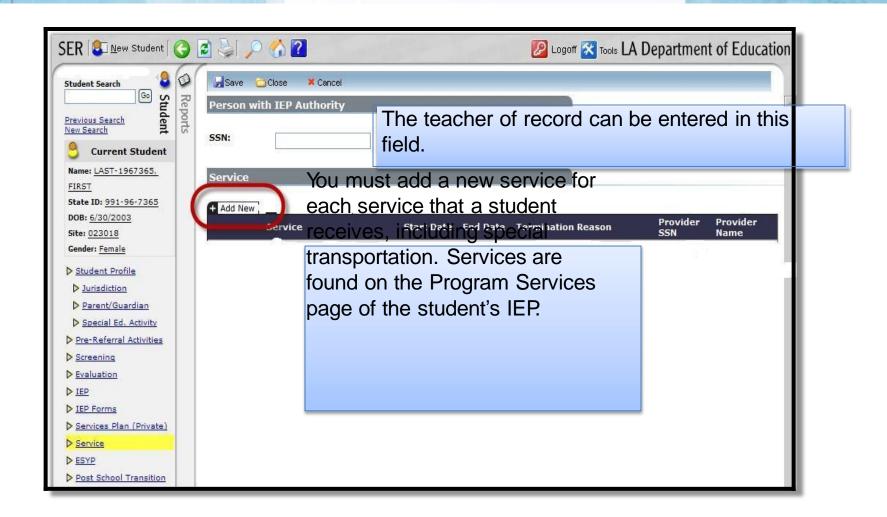
A listing of a student's services is found under the Service link.

- Services displayed come from services listed on the student's IEP.
- Services must be entered <u>manually</u>; they are not pulled in from the IEP.
- Service listing will display the most recent service first followed by each preceding service.

When to add a new service:

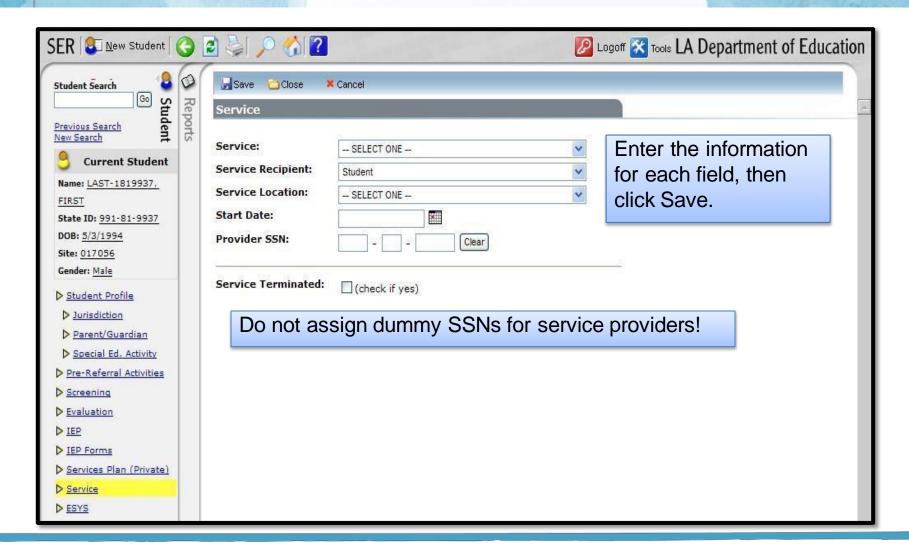
- After claiming jurisdiction on a student new to your LEA
- After an initial IEP is completed for a student new to special education
- After a student becomes eligible for a new service
 - •e.g., Student now qualifies for Adapted Physical Education when s/he did not initially qualify

To add a new service, click the Add New button at the top of the Service listing.



After clicking the Add New tab, the Service page will populate.

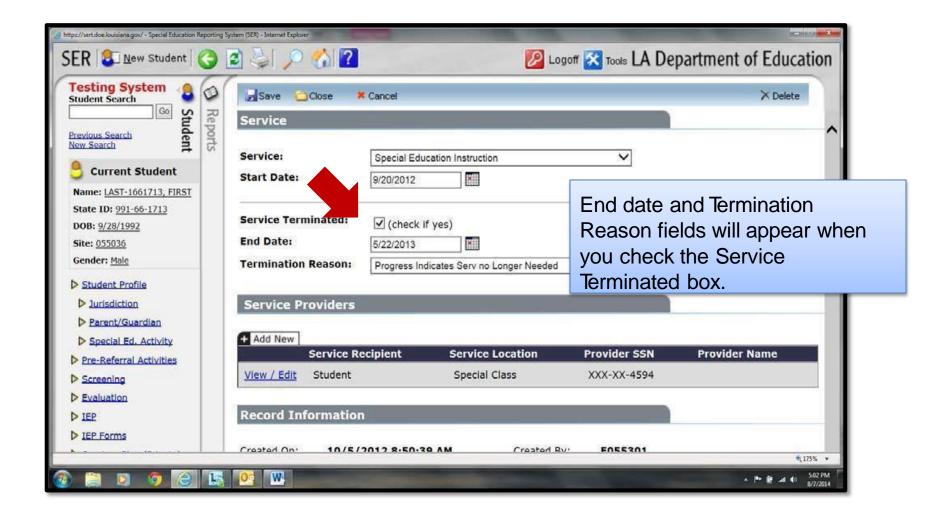
- The Service Recipient is defaulted to Student.
- Enter the information for the required fields then click Save.
- You must add a new service for each service the student receives.



Terminating Services

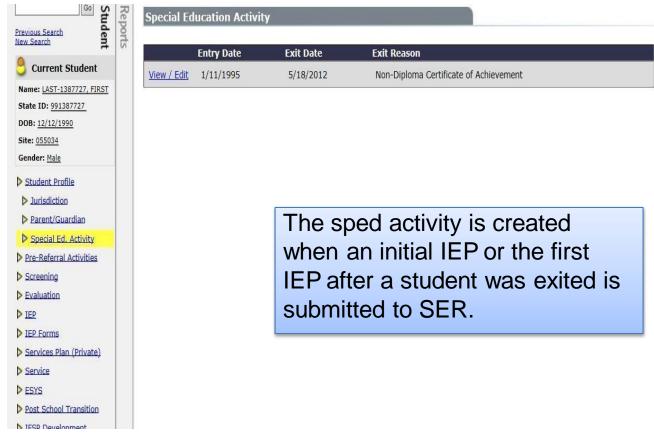
- To terminate a service, click View/Edit next to the service that should be terminated.
- Check the Service Terminated box to display the End Date and Termination Reason fields.
- Enter an end date and termination reason then click Save.

Terminating Services



Special Education Activity

Sped Activity record shows when a student entered and if the student exited special education



Bulk Update

Service Provider Bulk Update allows you to reassign multiple students from an old provider to a new provider

- Useful for transferring caseloads from one provider to another
- Found under Tool



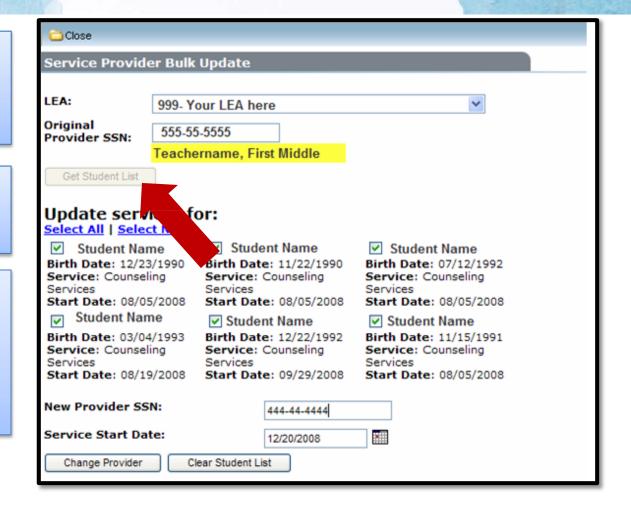
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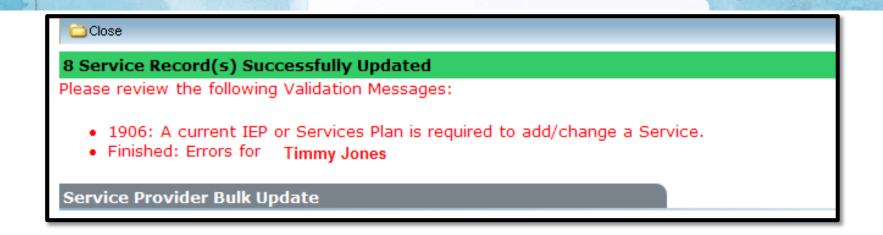
You must have the SSNs of the old provider and the new provider to use this feature.

Click Get Student List to pull up the provider's case load.

You can pick the students you want to reassign, or you can click SelectAll to reassign all students.



Bulk Update



- Number of records updated successfully are highlighted in green.
- If a student's record was not updated, a validation error will appear and include the reason along with the student's name.

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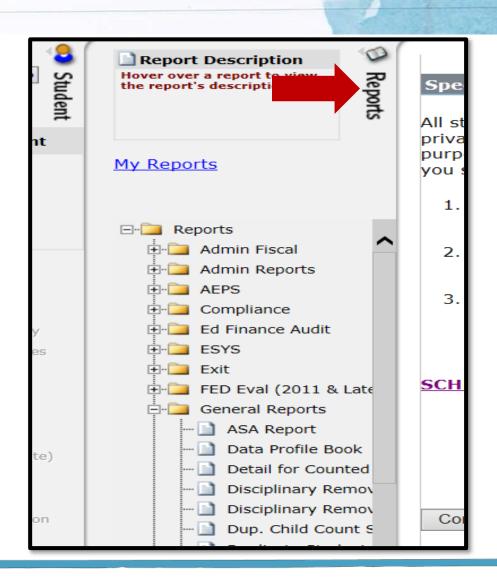
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Reports

- There are many reports in SER that you can use throughout the year.
- Compliance and management reports can be run as detail reports or summary reports.
- Reports can be run monthly, quarterly, or yearly.
- Use the <u>2020-21 Benchmark Calendar</u> for deadlines, important dates, and when to run the SER reports. The benchmark calendar is posted on <u>System</u> <u>Support webpage</u>

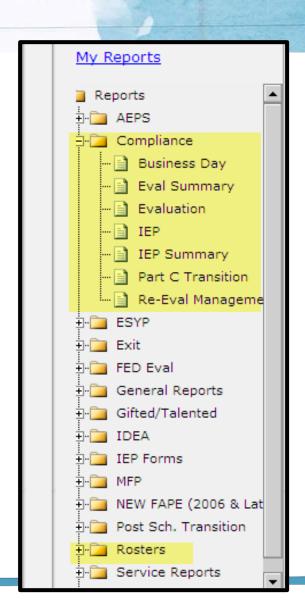
Reports Tab

- Click the Reports tab to display reports.
- Reports you run are listed under the My Reports tab.
- Reports stay under the My Reports tab for 14 days.
- You can view, save, or delete reports within the 14 days.



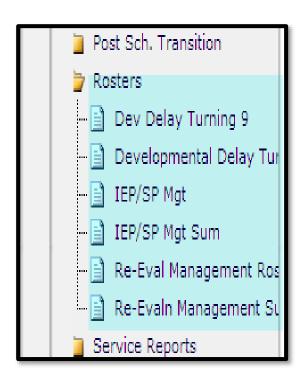
Compliance Reports

- Business Day: timelines for evaluations for a calendar year
- Eval Summary and IEP Summary: compliance percentage (%) and number of students in and out of timelines for a given month
- Evaluation and IEP: detailed listing of students in and out of timelines for a given month
- Re-Eval Management: three month view of evaluation compliance from the date generated
- Rosters: student IEP and evaluation anniversary date by school year



Compliance Reports

- Developmental Delay (DD) Turning 9:
 Detail or summary of DD students
 turning 9 that must be reclassified or dismissed of the exceptionality
- IEP/SP Mgt: Detail or summary of IEPs for a school year
- Re-Eval Management: Detail or summary of re-evaluations for a school year
 - Can be customized to a date range.



Error Codes

When entering actual data, you may experience errors with your data.

How do you correct data errors?

- Refer to the complete list of error codes listed in Appendix D of the SER User Guide or the IEP User Guide.
- Read the definition and solution next to the error code name in search of a resolution.
- Compare your entry steps to suggested steps in the user guide.
- If the error is from the IEP form, use help instructions within the IEP for additional information.

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Communications and Support

- SER Contact: <u>Bernetta.Sims@la.gov</u>
- Accommodations and Assessment questions: <u>Assessment@la.gov</u>
- Special Education Policy questions: SpecialEducation@la.gov
- System Support Page

Guiding documents 2020-21 Benchmark Calendar for upcoming deadlines

Who to contact for support

Email the system data managers listed below if you need assistance with the collections.

- Data Systems Manager: Sherry.Randall@la.gov
- Annual Financial Reporting (AFR): <u>Yaxin.Lu@la.gov</u>
- Special Education Reporting (SER) & Teacher Student Data Link (TSDL): Bernetta.Sims@la.gov
- Student Information System (SIS) and School Calendar (SPC) and Sponsor Site System (SPS):
 Tara.Baylot@la.gov
- Student Transcript System (STS), Curriculum (CUR): <u>Barrett.Adams@la.gov</u>
- Profile of Educational Personnel (PEP): Michael.Zanovec@la.gov Jara.Bode@lagov
- Early Childhood CLASS: <u>Anantha.Lakkakula@la.gov</u>
- eScholar Unique ID, DirectMatch, StaffID; and CVR: <u>Jayanthi.Sothirajah@la.gov</u>
- 2020-21 System Enhancements: Kaylie.Loupe@la.gov
- School Finder and Principal and Superintendent Secure Portal assistance:
 SystemSupport@la.gov

Superintendent's Weekly Newsletters

- •The Data section provides information and reminders about data reporting.
- •To subscribe, email ldoecommunications@la.gov
- Previous issues of the newsletters are located here.



Looking ahead ...

Next Webinar:

• Date and Time: September 7, 2020 at 10:00 am

Webinar Link: <u>Registration Link</u>

Webinar Name: SER Q & A Office Hour – October 1 IDEA Child Count

Register in advance for this meeting:

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.